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First Named Inventor	Griffiths et al.
Art Unit	2856
Examiner Name	A. Jackson
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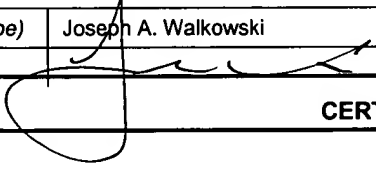
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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on September 16, 2003. This response is submitted on or before three months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.